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1. FOR FIRST TIME IN TEN MONTHS AND IN MEMORY OF EMBASSY VETRANS HERE, NORMALLY INNOCUOUS IF TENDED-TIOUS PHOTO DISPLAY IN FRONT OF CHINESE EMBASSY TOOK ON STRIDENTLY POLITICAL NOTE WITH PHOTS OF CHINESE BEING EXPELLED FROM VIETNAM. UNDER LARGE BANNER TRANSLATED QUOTE REPAYING GOOD WITH EVIL, VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES PERSECUTE CHINESE NATIONAL END QUOTE, DOZENS OF PHOTOS DEPICT BOTH MASS EVACUATIONS AND CASES OF INDIGIDAAL ATROCITIES INVOLVING ELDERLY CHINESE.

2. COMMENT: DISPLAY CONTRASTS NOT ONLY WITH ITS PREDECESSORS BUT ALSO WITH CHINA'S LOW-KEY DIPLOMATIC POSTURE HERE. IN PAST CHINESE HAVE GENERALLY APPEARED RELUCTANT TO EMBARRASS THIS MODERATE REGIME BY AIRING POLICY DIFFERENCES WITH OTHERS IN PUBLIC AND HAVE CONCENTRATED ON THEIR SUCCESSFUL BILATERAL ASSIST-ANCE PROGRAMS AS WELL AS MAINTAINING CORDIAL PERSONAL RELATIONS. MAUURITANIANS HAVE BEEN QUITE CONTENT WITH THIS ARRANGEMENT. GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED PRESS HAS BARELY MENTIONED ANY OF CURRENT DIFFICULTIES BETWEEN ASIAN COMMUNIST NATIONS, AND HAS TRIED TO IGNORE SIGNS OF SINO-SOVIET DIFFERENCES.
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